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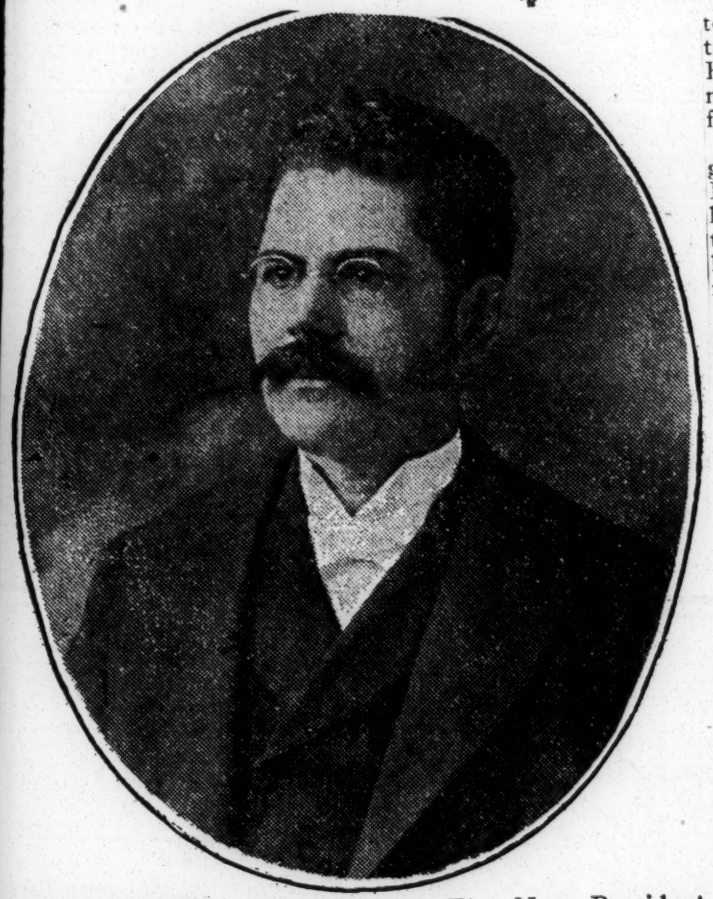

REV. STERLING N. BROWN, The New President.

THE NEW PRESIDENT.

The Bee, Wash.

The Rev. Dr. Sterling N. Brown, recently retired from the pastorate of the Lincoln Temple Church this city, and now full professor in the Howard University School of Theology, was elected President of the National Convention of Congregational Workers Among Colored People, held in this city during the past week. It was a deserved compliment for one who has served long and well his denomination. Dr. Brown has been an ordained minister for nearly thirty years, he has pastored in this city as but few others have done. It is fair to say that there are but few men of his race with a clearer sense of duty, a sounder judgment at crucial moments; or of more determined purpose in a stand once taken for what he believes to be right. You might as well attempt to move a mountain as to try to drive him from a well grounded conviction. He is gentle and kindly disposed, but positive and thoroughly businesslike in all his actions. It is this that has made him the unusual force that he is in this community. He is not only an excellent preacher, but a real leader of men and forces. People have always loved to hear him preach, and he has never wanted for an audience. From the time he began to preach as a boy, to the present he has been instrumental in winning men to the better life. Howard University is already beginning to realize anew his positive force and farseeing optimism.

The National Convention of Congregational Workers Among Colored People has in its body some of the leading educators of both races, and there was abundant material for selecting a leader. The Convention made no mistake in making Dr Brown its President. They may reasonably expect from him a constructive administration.

RAILWAY CLERKS' ALLIANCE.

Second Annual Meeting to Be Held In St. Louis Aug. 6.

Houston, Tex.—Hon. Henry L. Mims of this city, national president of the National Alliance of Railway Postal Employees, has sent official notices to the various locals of the alliance calling their attention to the forthcoming session of the alliance to be held at St. Louis Aug. 6-8.

Originally this the second session was to have been held at Savannah, Ga. The St. Louis clerks are highly elated over the compliment paid them, and the local entertainment in honor of the visiting clerks is said to include several new innovations. St. Louis is credited with having perhaps the most representative number of colored clerks in the railway mail service, including among the number the clerk who is said to hold the best examination record of any clerk, white or colored, in the service.

Of late years the white mail clerks' organizations have been excluding the colored clerks, and it has been apparent that the colored clerks must become more closely allied. Insurance at cost in the white organizations being denied the colored clerks, this created one of the most urgent reasons for the alliance. But the problem of organization of a national character doing business throughout the Union was a big one. Henry L. Mims after correspondence with a representative group of clerks evolved a plan which met with immediate approval. Accordingly last October at Chattanooga, Tenn., the clerks from various sections met and organized the alliance for the "betterment of the service," the "promotion of social intercourse" and for "insurance at cost of operation."

Upon organization it was found absolutely necessary that some capable person be found to look after the details of the organization and the inauguration of the insurance provisions. Happily, almost as an especial dispensation of Providence, Hon R. L. Bailey of Indianapolis was prevailed upon to accept the secretaryship of the new organization. Mr. Bailey is one of the most promising younger attorneys in his section of the country and was formerly a postal clerk. In fact, while he devotes all of his time to his practice he is still carried on the rolls of the postoffice department as a clerk, because he is the principal witness in some cases the government is prosecuting, and, though unusual, he has been granted an indefinite leave of absence.

R. L. BAILEY.

Mr. Bailey is an authority on insurance matters. He attended to all the legal preliminaries in chartering the National alliance and has written the charters for several of the state organizations. The alliance today is a healthy youngster with every evidence of a long life. The rank and file of its membership declare that the officers are the most sacrificing and efficient set that ever piloted a similar movement through the treacherous waters of new organization.

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The Third Annual Conference of volunteer and employed workers in colored City Associations was held in Philadelphia January 28th to February 2nd.

Because of the deep interest and constant attendance of local Association members and friends, it was difficult for us to realize that there were really but twenty-six delegates present. This number in itself is more insignificant, but it immediately assumes a new meaning when we state that these twenty-six delegates represented eleven of our nineteen city Associations, and that they came from as far west as St. Louis, Mo., and as far south as Birmingham, Ala.

In this little group were six of our nine secretaries, one assistant secretary, and six chairmen of colored Associations. Two other young women were in attendance who have applied for secretarial positions. There were questions about body, mind and spirit. Especially did the Employment Bureau take on new meaning. It was to some a new thought that people should not be pushed into work haphazard. The Association girl as a student of efficiency gave us a new outlook. Perhaps some of these ideas were caught in a fragmentary way, but we believe that some great truth was wholly absorbed by each delegate.

For four days and nights we lived together in a quiet but deep enthusiasm for our cause, which found its last and fullest expression in the twilight hour of Sunday. Then, in the presence of a great audience, hushed into silence by the spirit of the Lord, we stood with hands linked, two hundred and more, forming a circle. As we reverently repeated the Mizpah benediction, some of us realized more than ever before that although we have the individual Association with its personal relationships, we are also a beautiful circle, growing larger year by year in influence and responsibility, and that as such we must be dominated by a vital loyalty to Association ideals.

FROM REPORT OF MRS. A. W. HUNTON.

NEGRO POSTAL EMPLOYES TO HOLD SECOND ANNUAL MEETING.

The second annual session of the National Alliance of Postal Employes will be held in Pythian Hall, 3137 Pine street, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday and Saturday, August 5, 6, 7 and 8. Wednesday, Aug. 5, the executive committete will convene at 10 a. m. in regular business session. Thursday, Aug. 6, an open session will be held at 10 a. m., to which the general public is cordially invited.

The speakers who will address the open session are: Mr. R. H. Stephens, general superintendent; Mr. Frank McFarland, superintendent of Division No. 7; Prof. Frank L. Williams, and others. Friday, Aug. 7, the officers and delegates will be given an outing and automobile tour of the city.

Delegates from all parts of the country are expected to attend this session, as matters of great interest to the members will be considered.

The election of national officers will take place Saturday, and the session will close with an elaborate banquet Saturday night at Pythian Hall, to which many prominent citizens have been invited.

GREEK LETTER SOCIETY MEETS IN CAPITAL CITY.

Special to THE NEW YORK AGE: 1-8-14

Washington, D. C., Jan. 7.—The National Convention of the Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity met in its sixth annual session at Howard University December 29. Dean Lewis B. Moore, Howard University, and Dwight O. W. Holmes, Baltimore High School, addressed the convention. James Parker, president of Beta Chapter Howard University, made the welcome address. Roscoe C. Giles delivered the alumni address.

Henry L. Dickason succeeded Charles H. Garvin as general president; Raymond W. Cannon succeeded himself as

vice-president; A. Ross, of Cornell University, succeedd Henry L. Dickason as general secretary; Howard H. Long, of Howard University, succeeded William P. Norcum as treasurer. The next session will be held at Chicago. There will be launched in February, 1914, a journal known as the *Sphinx*, to be the official organ of the fraternity, with Raymond W. Cannon as editor and Julius C. McKelvie, business manager.

Negro Liquor Men Form Association

The colored liquor dealers of greater New York held a meeting Tuesday evening in the rooms of the National League on Urban Conditions and formed themselves into an association for mutual protection and betterment of their places. A scale of wages for employees was agreed upon, deportment of patrons and the quality of entertainment were discussed and rigid rules for improvement were adopted.

The members of the association are determined to get a larger support from the Harlem public and plans are under way to show members of the race why Negroes engaged in business in greater New York are entitled to a larger patronage than is now given. The liquor dealers contend that the goods they keep and the prices charged are reasonable and the services given many times superior to that given by others. They cited many places in Harlem where Negroes were not wanted yet continued to go. If many now tied to the white places would patronize the colored ones many of the things they say could be easily eliminated.

The colored men give employment through and through to the members of their own race. The same is true of the other business places controlled by Negroes. The business places controlled by the white people are all manned by their own people. It is charged that 95 per cent. of the Negroes patronize and enrich the business places of the opposite race.

Among those present were John Connor, Barron Wilkins, Leroy Wilkins, James H. Bess, Wm. Banks, Geo. Lee, John C. Johnson, Frank B. Wood, Percy Brown, Harry H. Griffin, E. Johnson, Joseph Boyd, John Morris, Jas. Martin. The officers are John Connor, president; Joseph Boyd, secretary, John Morris, treasurer. Meetings will be held the first Tuesday in each month.

OFFICIAL CALL

Western Negro Press Association Called—Will Meet at Muskogee August 18th and 19th.

To the Members of the Western Negro Press Association:

By virtue of the power vested in me as your elected president I hereby call the Association to meet in its 16th annual session in the City of Muskogee, Okla., August 18th and 19th, 1914, for the purpose of transacting the business of the Association electing officers and discussing such public questions as may be brought before the Association.

Every newspaper man or woman in our district are urged to be present and take part in this meeting.

We also extend an open invitation to the general public.

Signed this 24th day of June, A. D. 1914.

A. J. SMITHERMAN, Prest.,
Tulsa, Okla.

J. D. COOK, Secretary,
Milwaukee, Wis.

LOCAL REAL ESTATE MAN HONORED

ELECTED PRESIDENT NATIONAL REAL ESTATE DEALERS

National Negro Business League's Session Just Closed, A Brilliant Affair—Attendance Largest in History of Body—Reports Show Great Progress—Several Interesting Side Trips by Delegates.

The fifteenth annual session of the National Negro Business League which convened in Muskogee, Okla., from the 16th to the 21st of this month was one of the most brilliant and successful meetings this body has ever held.

Dr. Booker T. Washington, president of the league, presided at most of the sessions and the reports read by the various members showed in no unmistakable manner the great progress which the race is making along commercial lines. Dr. Washington in an address at the Gaity theatre on last Friday night painted the progress of the race since emancipation and for an hour and twenty minutes captivated an audience of over a thousand representative white friends. His remarks repeatedly elicited applause, and as many persons as heard him were turned away at the doors, because of lack of accommodations.

The president's annual address to the league was one which sank deep into the hearts of his many hearers and was along the usual conservative lines, touching upon every phase of Negro life and urging the young men of the race especially to take advantage of their opportunities and make men of themselves.

The Negro real estate dealers throughout the country will be pleased to learn that a real estate department was organized by the league. Among those who were foremost in advocating the addition of this feature to the league was Savannah's representative, G. H. Bowen, who, the local business men will be pleased to know, was made president.

The feature of Tuesday's program of the league was the industrial parade in the afternoon, which terminated at the fair grounds. The parade was an hour and twenty minutes long, showing the progress of the Negro and the idea of demonstration and advertising. Four bands, boy cadets, floats with school children, Negroes in automobiles, carriages and buggies, a troop of men and women on horse back, bicycle riders and mule riders wound down the street in gala attire. It was said to be the finest demonstration in the history of the league.

The side trips for the visitors were very interesting, especially so, was that to Boley, Oklahoma, the most progressive Negro town in the country, where a short session of the league was held. Practically the entire delegation took in the trip, a stop of about two hours being made at Ocmulgee, Okla., where a dinner was served and other celebrations were engaged in.

Several cities made bids for the next session of the league, Kansas City, Mo., Boston and Washington, D. C., being the ones most prominently mentioned, with the former seemingly having the larges number of supporters.

Mr. Bowen, the local representative, will tell of his trip on next Thursday night at a public meeting of the league at St. Paul C. M. E. Church, Maple and West Broad streets. The meeting will convene promptly at 8:30 o'clock.

AFRO-AMERICAN COUNCIL KNIFED SAM SHORTRIDGE

The Afro-American Council, of which James M. Alexander is president, knifed Saml. Shortridge at the polls last Tuesday, thereby defeating their best friend for United States Senator. What Forsker was to the Negroes of Ohio, so was Saml. Shortridge a prince among the princely and the friend of the oppressed.

'Tis sad to think that friend Shortridge was stabbed in the house of his friends, and Jim Alexander and the Afro-American Council helped to accomplish the dastardly political double deal.

WASHINGTON, D. C.

WASHINGTON, D. C.—At the annual convention of the National Association of Post Office Laborers, held at the True Reformers' Hall, the following officers were elected: John H. Bosche of New York City, re-elected president; Charles E. S. Walker of Chicago, first vice-president; James Ferguson of Philadelphia, second vice-president; B. Burkhardt of St. Louis, treasurer; L. S. Lee of Chicago, recording secretary; C. Kessler of New York City, financial secretary; the executive committee comprises R. B. Landing of New York City, E. W. Hollands of Washington, D. C., M. F. Deegan of Chicago, John H. Bosche of New York, A. J. Feggler of Brooklyn and W. J. Boister of Pittsburgh, Pa. The next convention will be held in St. Louis.

The Woman's Mite Missionary Society of the Baltimore A. M. E. Conference has just closed its meeting, held at Baltimore, Mr., September 9-11. Among those who attended from Washington were Mesdames Welch, Stepteau, Simms, Thronton, Lucas, Arnold, Curtis, Waddleton, Cooper and Miss Madra of Metropolitan Church; Mesdames Blanch Sydes, R. H. Jones, Annie Sewell, Annie Washington, Leone Thigpen, Harriet Smith, Eliza Cooper, Fannie Webster, Miss M. Throckmorton and Miss Ruth Sydes, of St. Paul Church; Mrs. M. E. Furgeson, of Ebenezer Church; Mrs. Robinson and Miss Emma Robinson, of Brown Memorial Church; Mrs. Clara Harris, of Allen Chapel, Garfield; Mrs. Warner, of Campbell Church, Anacosta, and Mrs. R. H. Green, of Ward Memorial Church, Bennings. $114 was sent to the treasurer. Two delegates will be sent to the parent body, which meets in Detroit, Mich., October, 1915, in the person of Mrs. A. E. Waddleton and Miss M. Throckmorton.

The marriage of Miss Mary Butler of Chas. County, Md., and Jas. Lewis of this city was performed here September 9.

Mr. Jas. Jackson, the feed dealer on Third street Southwest, died Sunday morning, September 13, at 7 a. m.

At Friendship Baptist Church Sunday, September 13, the funeral of Isaac James took place. The Revs. Howard Sydes and Barton spoke over the remains. The Rev. Mr. Ennis made the principal remarks. Solos were sung by Miss Shelton and Mr. Johnson. Mr. James was a member of Friendship Church for thirty years, a Civil War veteran, and a staunch Odd Fellow, being a member of Star of the West Lodge 1369, which lodge conducted the fraternal rites. Mr. James was a shoemaker, having worked at his trade up to his death.

An echo of the C. Y. P. C. held in Atlanta, was heard at Metropolitan A. M. E. Church, Monday night, September 21. Those who took part were the Rev. Stephen, Mrs. A. E. Waddleton, P. A. Tucker, L. E. Johnson, secretary of Y. M. C. A. and Miss A. S. Payne.

Lemuel Gibbs, a business man of Atlantic City spent a few days here visiting relatives and friends

Sunday, September 20, he Rescue Club of St. Paul's Church had its first annual sermon preached by the Rev. W. H. Dean of Ebenezer M. E. Church.

Correspondence for publication will be received at 1020 Y street northwest, and 115 4½ street southwest.

The Rev. M. F. Sydes occupied the pulpit of St. Paul A. M. E. Church Sunday morning, September 20, The Rev. W. H. Dean at 3.30 and Mr. Washington at 8 p. m. The services were well attended. The Sunday school was visietd by District Superintendent W. H. Sightler.

All persons sending a subscription or those renewing subscriptions to The Age for 6 months or a year will be made a present of two books of visiting cards. Persons whose subscriptions have not expired can order their new subscription to begin with the expiration of the old. Addrrss R. Hayes Jones, agent The New York Age, 115 4½ street southwest, or send postal and he will call. Out-of-town subscriptions are offered the same privilege.

Zion Baptist Church is holding its golden anniversary from September 13 to 27. The Rev. W. D. Norman, the Rev. J. M. Waldron, Secretary Lewis Johnson, the Rev. W. H. Brooks, the Rev. W. F. Sydes, N. E. Weatherless, G. C. Wilkerson, the Rev. W. M. Moss of Brooklyn, N. Y., and the Rev. W. M. Alexander of Baltimore will be some of the speakers.

NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF CHIROPODISTS.

The National Association of Chiropodists held a three days' session in Boston. On Monday, Aug. 2d, only three representatives from Chicago,

a credit to the Negro race as represented by the Grand United Order of Odd Fellows of America. Let every loyal member of the race in Boston who resides on the streets through which the parade will pass, show his American colors and give the Odd Fellows a glorious sendoff when they pass through the streets of Boston.

STELLA L. CARL,
Chairman of Publicity Committee.

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NATIONAL RETAIL MERCHANTS ASSOCIATION ORGANIZE

At the Late Session of National Negro Business League Officers.

One of the most beneficial moves yet made—one of the most advantage ous steps yet taken by the Negro National Business League, was taken at the late session held in Muskogee when the National Retail Merchants Association was organized with the following executive committee: C. W Gilliam, chairman, Okolona, Miss.; R L. Maby, Birmingham, Ala.; I. S Stokes, Shreveport, La.; Captain Jas E. Hamlin, Raleigh, N. C.; T. J. Elliott, Muskogee, Okla.; E. Johnson Kansas City, Kans.

The purpose of such an organization is obvious. Certainly in the progress of the retail business as done by colored persons in this country, it would be impossible to not reach the place where such an organization was not indispensable.

It will be of peculiar interest to Texas and Texans in that organization, places were given two of her distinguished sons: Mr. Welch being made secretary and Mr. H. W. Scott vice-president.

The rapid rise of Mr. Welch, it pleases the Dallas Express to note, presents a most encouraging picture to his friends. From vice-president of the Dallac Local League, he went to the presidency of the same. At the state meeting he received substantial recognition and now he returns from the national meeting the secretary of the Retail Merchants' Association. He is proprietor of the best furniture store operated by Negroes in this city, identified with every progressive movement and a strong member of the Baptist church. "Ed," as he is known to his familiar friends, is marked as one of the coming colored men of Dallas. Let us make way for him, for he is in the morning of his strength.

S. N. Dickerson, president, Talladega, Ala.; W. M. Martin, vice-president, St. Augustine, Fla.; H. W. Scott, vice-president, Dallas, Tex.; E. W. D. Welch, secretary, Dallas, Tex.; G E. Newstell. treasurer, Montgomery, Ala.

REV. DR. E. C. MORRIS HONORED.

Rev. Dr. E. C. Morris, president of the National Baptist Convention, has been named as one of the American committee announced for the celebration of the one hundredth anniversary of the signing of the Treaty of Ghent between Great Britain and the United tates. This is a signal honor, and worthily bestowed. Dr. Morris is a distinguished representative of his race and a great churchman. His worth and usefulness has exceeded denominational limitations. He has the respect and confidence of his race generally. Among this committee of which Dr. Morris is a member are: Oscar S. Strauss, member of the Roosevelt Cabinet, former American ambassador to Turkey and Progressive nominee for Governor of New York in 1912; Charles Page Bryan, former American ambassador to Japan and minister to Portugal; Dr. Henry S. Drinker, president of Lehigh University; Henry C. Morris of Chicago, former United States consul to Ghent; former Governor Frank S. Streeter of New Hampshire; Thomas F. Bayard, one of the few living descendants of a signer of the Treaty of Ghent; General J. Warren Keifer of Springfield, Ohio, former Speaker of the House of Representatives; Dr. Albert Shaw, editor of Review of Reviews.

The Good Shepherds held their Supreme Grand Lodge here in Montgomery last week and the meeting was harmonious to the end. Some of the notable men in attendance were Rev. Dr. C. L. Fisher of Mobile, Rev. Dr. [illegible] of Snow Hill, Rev. Dr. A. J. Stokes, Rev. Wm. Madison, Rev. Dr. A. F. Owens, Bishop J. W. Alstork, LL. D., Rev. Wm. Rakestraw, Rev. L. D. Workman, Rev. Dr. N. N. Neely, Rev. Dr. G[illegible]son, and others whose names we cannot now recall. Hon. G. W. Chandler was heartily sustained in all his reports and general satisfaction prevailed. His administration has been so satisfactory that the order made him a present of an automobile which will be used in his great work. When it is considered that Mr. Chandler is the founder of this Order and that he has been the guiding spirit in its growth it would seem that this gift is a fitting tribute to his labors. This order has had a wonderful growth and made a fine impression upon the public. Under Mr. Chandler's influence the organization has purchased 3300 acres of good farming and timber lands in Dallas County, and the notes are paid when due. The sermons and addresses before this sitting of the Supreme Grand Lodge were all excellent and the order begins this year under bright prospects.

NEGRO PRESS ASSOCIATION ELECTS OFFICERS.

Special to the Globe.

Muskogee, Okla., August 18.—Closing a two days' session the Negro newspaper men of the United States elected the following officers for the ensuing year: Melvin J. Chism, Baltimore, Md., president; Robt. L. Jones New Orleans, La., vice-president; S. M. Gillean, Denison, Texas, second vice-president; Henry Allen Boyd Nashville, Tenn., corresponding secretary; Chas. Sumner Smith, Minneapolis, Minn., recording secretary; J. A. Hamlett, Jackson, Tenn., assistant recording secretary; L. G. Jordan, Philadelphia, treasurer; C. J. Perry, Philadelphia, auditor; Jos. L. Jones, Cincinnati, Ohio, chairman executive committee.

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Local Negroes Seek Uplift of Their Race

Will Tonight Form Branch of Organization That Fights for Equality Before Law.

NOTED WHITE MEN AIDING

A Pittsburgh branch of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People will be formed tonight at a meeting of citizens, white and colored, to be held in the Center avenue branch of the Young Men's Christian Association. The movement follows a visit made to Pittsburgh a few days ago by Mrs. Butler R. Wilson of Boston, Mass., a representative of the national association. Mrs. Wilson while here addressed several social and civic organizations and the congregation of several churches.

The principal objects of the corporation are voluntarily to promote equality of rights and eradicate caste or race prejudice among the citizens of the United States; to advance the interests of the negro; to secure for them impartial suffrage, and to increase their opportunities for securing justice in the courts, education for their children and employment according to their ability.

Fight Insane Prejudice.

Among those most prominently connected with the movement in Pittsburgh is Attorney William Randolph, a lawyer and long a resident of the Herron Hill district, where he owns property and lives with his wife and family.

"It is evident," said Mr. Randolph yesterday, "that the present movement is merely an expression of the reaction against the insane prejudice against my race existing in certain parts of the country. The fourteenth and fifteenth amendments to the Constitution of the United States guarantee my race its rights before the law, they enfranchise them, they give them civil liberty. We ask for nothing but our rights—these we shall insist upon.

"The talk of an eventual admixture of the races is a subterfuge, used only by those who would deny us the very reasonable things we ask for. The negro, except in cases that are so rare as to render them nil, is loyal to his own color—he is not ambitious to change the strain of his own blood. This is not a battle for social equality—we are not concerned with that. The negro does not have to rely upon himself alone in this fight that is to be waged for his rights. White men and women, possessed of intelligence as well as a sense of justice are among the leaders in the movement—the descendants, in many cases, of those sturdy figures who prior to and during the Civil War were proud to be known as Abolitionists."

Some Local Leaders in Movement.

The local branch of the association will have identified with it the following: Attorney William Randolph, Samuel R. Morse of the Center Avenue Branch of the Y. M. C. A.; Attorney Frank R. Steward, Dr. James R. Page, the Rev. Charles H. Trusty, the Rev. C. Y. Trigg, the Rev. George B. Howard, A. L. Ballard, N. T. Velar and William H. Thompson, all representative of their race.

The officers of the national association are: President, Moorfield Storey of Boston, ex-president of the American Bar Association; vice presidents, the Rev. John Haynes Holmes, New York; John E. Milholland, New York; Archibald H. Grimke, Washington, D. C.; the Rev. Garnett R. Waller, Springfield, Mass.; and Miss Mary White Ovington, Brooklyn, N. Y.; chairman of the board of directors, Dr. J. E. Spingarn, New York, formerly of Columbia University; director of publication and research, Dr. W. E. B. Dubois, New York; treasurer, Oswald Garrison Villard of the New York Evening Post; secretary, Miss May Childs Nerney, New York.

There are 24 branches of the national association throughout the country. Francis J. Garrison, son of the famous Abolitionist, William Lloyd Garrison, is president of the Boston branch of the national association.

Mr. Randolph said that Dr. J. E. Spingarn of New York, chairman of the board of directors of the national association, offers to furnish annually a gold medal not to cost over $100, to be awarded for the highest or noblest achievement of an American negro during the preceding year.

It was said, too, that Dr. Rudolph I. Coffee, rabbi of the Tree of Life synagogue, and Dr. J. Leonard Levy, of Rodeph Shalom Synagogue of this city, were in sympathy with the movement and would render any aid possible.

THE ALPHA PHI ALPHA FRATERNITY MEETING

In Its Sixth Annual Session at Howard University, Washington, D. C.

WASHINGTON, D. C.—The National Convention of the Alpha Phi Alpha fraternity met in its sixth annual session at Howard University, Beta Chapter, Washington, D. C., December 29-31, 1913.

This fraternity was founded in Cornell University in 1907. It has now sixteen chapters, in the leading universities of America, one alumni chapter in New York City and a graduate chapter in Louisville, Ky., all of which were represented through their delegates. It has a total membership of 436 men of college standing; 188 of these are alumni members, who are doing great service for themselves and community.

Dean Lewis B. Moore, Ph. D., Howard University, and Dwight O. W. Holmes. A. M., Baltimore High School, addressed the convention. James Parker, president of Beta Chapter, Howard University, made the welcome address. Roscoe C. Giles delivered the alumni address.

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The reports showed every chapter in a prosperous condition. There will be launched in February, 1914, a journal known as the "Sphinx," to be the official organ of the fraternity, with Raymond W. Cannon, editor, and Julius C. McKelvie, business manager.

The social phase of the convention found vent in a theater party at Howard Theater, sight-seeing trip through public buildings, reception in honor of delegates, annual banquet and Beta Chapter at home in honor of delegates.

The convention will hold its next session in Chicago, Ill., at Theta Chapter, composed of students of Chicago University and allied schools.

This was the greatest convention in the histoory of the fraternity. Every delegate labored through sessions with untiring energy, with the reward of some tangible results that will further promote the ideals of the fraternity.

Charles H. Garvin, ex-president, and his corps of officers are deserving of congratulations for their successful efforts to promote the interest of the fraternity.

N. B. ALLEN,
Chairman Press Committee,
Reporter.

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TO AID ADVANCEMENT OF COLORED PEOPLE

The Trenton branch of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People will conduct a meeting in Mt. Zion Church Wednesday evening, when Mr. Studin, a prominent white speaker of New York, will explain the object of the organization.

It is the purpose of the organization to establish more of a Christian relationship between the two races, and several men of prominence, such as John Hays Hammond and Oswald G. Villard, editor of the New York Evening Post, are interested in the movement.

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NEGROES, FOR UPLIFT, TO ASSEMBLE HERE

The negro national civic movement, an organization for the uplift and betterment of the negro race, will hold its convention at the organization's Kansas City headquarters, 515 Main street, August 3 to 7, inclusive.

Prominent speakers will address the convention.

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SERIES OF LECTURES TO BE GIVEN AT AFRICAN M. E.

National Association for Advancement of Colored People Formed Branch Here Sunday.

At a big mass meeting of colored people held Sunday a branch of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People was formed. Hon. Fay Lewis gave a powerful and interesting address at the meeting which was much enjoyed. A series of lectures are planned for the winter to be given each Sunday afternoon at 4 o'clock in the African M. E. Church for the benefit of the colored population of the city. A number of prominent white citizens of Rockford will speak.

AUSTIN NEGRO IS HONORED—HE IS DECLARED REAL FOUNDER OF BOY CADET MOVEMENT.

Friends of Harry Lott, who is lieutenant general of the National organization of Boy Cadets, declare that he has not been given the credit that he deserves for his part in the organization and development of this movement among the Negro boys of the country. As assistant superintendent of the Sunday-school of which Dr. W. H. Crawford is superintendent, it was declared yesterday, Harry Lot was the real originator of the Boy Cadet movement, and has been the active spirit in promoting its remarkable growth, covering several States.

He was made lieutenant general of the organization by the National governing body of the colored Baptist church, which made Dr. Crawford general, and Dr. R. H. Boyd of Nashville, commander in chief.

Lott was born and reared in Austin. He worked for one of the banks several years and has been a mail carrier for ten or twelve years. He has had much experience with organizations of a military character with a moral object. The police testify that the number of Negro boys found on the street has wonderfully decreased since the organization of the cadets. There is a full regiment of them here, every Negro Baptis church being organized.—*The Austin Daily Statesman.*

The National Sentiment-Moulding Bureau which has its office in Memphis, Tenn., is one that should command the respect and material support of all the Negroes who are interested in the advancement of the race. One, among the objects of the Bureau is to cultivate in other races a kindlier feeling and a just attitude towards the Negro. The officers of the National Sentiment-Moulding Bureau are: Rev. J. D. Chavis, D. D., president; Rev. T. J. Searcy, D. D., vice-president; R. L. Glagg, M. D., secretary; J. J. Scott, treasurer and Sutton E. Griggs, National Organizer.

FIFTEENTH ANNUAL CONVENTION OF I.B.P.O.E. OF W. IN SESSION

Grand Exalted Ruler T. Gillis Nutter Shows Remarksble Growth of Organtzation In His Splendid Annual Report

With approximately one thousand delegates and visitors in attendance, the fifteenth annual session of the Grand Lodge of I. B P. O. Elks of the World began Sunday afternoon at 3:00 o'clock at the First Baptist Church, Bute Street, with the annual Sermon by the Grand Chaplain, Rev. W. R. Gullins, D. D., of Providence, R. I. The usual Lodge of Sorrow was also held at this hour and fitting eulogies were paid deceased members of the order. Mrs. Emma L. Cherry read an interesting paper and music of a high order was furnished by the Elks Quartette and the Ladies' Ideal Quartette. Exalted Ruler J. M. Harrison, presided.

PUBLIC RECEPTION AND EXERCISES

Delegates from all parts of the country began to arrive on every incoming train and steamer Monday morning and by noon the uptown section, decorated in national colors and Elk bunting presented a distinctive convention air. The streets were thronged with visitors and everything had a gala appearance.

Monday night public exercises were held at Queen Street Baptist Church at 8:00 o'clock Every available seat in the auditorium and gallery were filled and standing room was at a premium, when Exalted Ruler Harrison, formally opened the exercises, which began with an overture by the Ideal Orchestra and prayer by the Grand Chaplain, Dr. Gullins. Mr. Harrison then introduced Justice James S. Barron, of the City Police Court, who delivered the welcome address on behalf of the city of Norfolk. Mr. Harrison paid an eloquent tribute to Justice Barron, referring to his official record in terms that elicited rapturous applause from the audience. When the Police Justice arose to speak he received an ovation that lasted several minutes. His popularity with the colored people of Norfolk, as attested in the extraordinary demonstration that greeted his appearance.

Justice Barron complimented the delegation upon their representative appearance and demeanor, and said that he was especially glad to welcome the Northern delegates.

He wanted them to come and see for themselves the amicable relations that existed here in the South between the best classes of the two races, notwithstanding the misleading reports to the contrary that were often current in the North. He said that the white people who represented the true Southern sentiment had no more regard, respect and love for the Vardamans and the Bleases than the colored people themselves who stood for decency and law and order. The colored race has put it up to themselves, and it is up to them to make their own future. If I were going to give a receipe that would make man and woman an honor and credit to their race and country I would prescribe work. People can not be honest unless they work. If they are not honest they are criminal. Work is the basis upon which the future of the race must be perpetuated. He closed by making a touching reference to the loyalty and support he had received from the colored people of Norfolk during his term of office as Police Justice which would come to an end in September. He counted them as his friends, and wished to be understood as their friend.

G. E. RULER NUTTER RESPONDS

Grand Exalted Ruler T. Gillis Nutter of Charleston, W. Va., responded to the address of Justice Barron. Mr. Nutter, thrilled the great audience with his eloquent description of the rise of colored Virginians since emancipation, and especially of those residing in the twenty-four Tidewater counties. His address was followed by welcome addresses by Mrs. Emma V. Kelly, on behalf of the Temples of Daughter Elks and Dr. J. E. Mills, for Eureka Lodge, No. 5. There were informal speeches also by Armond W. Scott of Washington, D. C., Grand Legal Advisor; Rev. F. W. Williams and P. B. Young.

MOONLIGHT OUTING

Tuesday night at 8 o'clock the delegates and visitors were joined by hundreds of local citizens on a moonlight cruise down the bay to Old Point and out to the Virginia Capes on the Steamer, Pocahontas. The outing was greatly enjoyed by those who were the guests of the Grand Lodge Committee for the occasion.

SPLENDID MUSICAL FEATURES

The musical features of Monday night's program were superb. The vocal selections by the Ladies Ideal Quartette, the Elks Quartette, the solo by Miss Blanche Smith and the selections by the Ideal Orchestra all elicited much applause. Miss A. Eliza Coppage, Norfolk's celebrated dramatic reader and elocutionist recited to the delight of the audience "The Soul of the Violin."

GRAND LODGE OPENS

Tuesday morning at 10 o'clock the Grand Lodge opened at the Tent's Convention Hall. Grand Exalted Ruler T. Gillis Nutter, presiding. The session was consumed in routine business. The second day's business session opened Wednesday morning at 10 o'clock. After the opening formalities Grand Exalted Ruler T. Gillis Nutter read his annual address and report, covering his stewardship for the year. The report was compehensive throughout, covering in detail every phase of the Grand Lodge Work. Mr. Nutter received an ovation at the conclusion of the reading. The delegates and members were highly gratified with the assurances which he brought from the white Elks that here would be no more suits brought against the colored organization.